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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 059576

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: ELAB, ILO

SUBJ: PREPARATIONS FOR AFRICAN LABOR MINISTERS CONFERENCE  
TO BE HELD IN TRIPOLI APRIL 25

1. DEPT HAS RECEIVED REPORTS THAT NIGERIA ASPIRES TO LEADER-  
SHIP ROLE IN AFRICA SIMILAR TO THAT ENJOYED BY SAUDIS IN  
MIDEAST, AND THAT NIGERIA PLANS ASSERT ITSELF AT SUBJECT  
CONFERENCE BY SEEKING SUPPORT FOR POSITIONS UNHELPFUL TO US.  
POST'S REPORTING ON NIGERIAN PREPARATIONS FOR SUBJECT  
CONFERENCE AND FOR ILO GENERAL CONFERENCE IN GENEVA IN  
JUNE WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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2. AT MEETING MARCH 15 OF CABINET LEVEL COMMITTEE  
ON ILO, US WORKER DELEGATE IRVING BROWN OF AFL-CIO  
EXPRESSED CONCERN FOR SAFETY AND FREEDOM TO TRAVEL OF  
NIGERIAN LABOR LEADERS. IO ASSISTANT SECRETARY-DESIGNATE  
MAYNES VOLUNTEERED THAT UN AMBASSADOR ANDREW YOUNG ENJOYED  
"SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP" WITH NIGERIAN REGIME AND THAT INTER-  
CESSION BY AMB. YOUNG (BY PERSONAL LETTER TO FOREIGN

MINISTER) ON BEHALF NIGERIAN LABOR LEADERS AND IN REGARD  
TO GENERAL NIGERIAN APPROACH TO ILO MIGHT BE HELPFUL.  
BEFORE AMB. YOUNG DECIDES WHETHER TO UNDERTAKE SUCH AN  
INTERCESSION, POST'S COMMENTS ARE INVITED.

3. IF AS REPORTED, COMMISSIONER FOR EXTERNAL AFFAIRS  
GARBA TO BE AT UN NEW YORK MONDAY, MARCH 21, DEPT WOULD  
APPRECIATE POST COMMENTS IN TIME TO ENABLE AMBASSADOR  
YOUNG, IF HE CHOOSES, TO RAISE MATTER WITH GARBA  
PERSONALLY AT THAT TIME.  
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